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**The Postal Union.**  
The first step toward the formation of the postal union, which has had such wide results, came from Germany in the shape of a proposal for an international postal congress. This met at Bern in 1874, when twenty-two countries joined the union, including the whole of Europe. A second congress met in Paris in 1878, when ten other countries came in, and the official title, "International Postal Union," was definitely fixed. Its sphere was further enlarged at congresses at Lisbon in 1885 and at Vienna in 1891.

**The Attraction.**  
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**An Unhappy Seat.**  
"Pa," said Tommy, opening the paper, "who sits on the seat of war?"  
"No one," responded papa, "because the seat of war generally has a tack in it."—Baltimore Herald.

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## Aunt Mary, Banker

By James Cleary

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When the First National bank of Olivet was organized, capital \$50,000, Aunt Mary Hilliard became a stockholder to the amount of \$10,000. She was a wealthy widow, past middle age, and could have furnished the full amount had she so desired.

The balance of the stock was taken by the business men of Olivet and farmers thereabouts, and in due time the bank opened for business. When the stockholders met to elect a board of directors they figured on leaving Aunt Mary out, though she was one of the largest stockholders. She was a woman, they said, and she knew little about business, and she should be well content to draw her dividends and leave the active management to men.

"Don't make any mistake about me," cautioned Aunt Mary as she settled her bonnet on the back of her head and stood up. "I've been doing business ever since my husband died, fifteen years ago, and I think I've learned a thing or two, even about banking. I don't want to be a director, but I shall drop in here quite often to see how things are going."

It was that sort of trouble. Then the five directors elected a president, secretary and cashier, and four of them smiled paternally at the woman claimed the honor of making the first deposit. The president was a newcomer in the town, but he had money and had been cashier of a bank in Buffalo. The secretary and cashier were old residents.

The First National secured a large business at once, and as time passed on Aunt Mary dropped in occasionally to keep posted. People who thought she was old fashioned in her business notions or that her limit was selling butter and eggs had to acknowledge their mistake. She was quite up to date on finance, and she knew a good investment from a doubtful one as well as the president did.

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as an offset, but he was firm on that one point. It wasn't policy for him to antagonize one of the largest stockholders in the bank, and he tried his best to smooth over things and send Aunt Mary away in a friendly spirit.

"Well, I've seen him," she remarked on returning home. "If he has his way about things you'll never marry Kittle."

Paul groaned.

"But he won't have his way," she continued. "On the contrary, I'll have mine. You and Kittle be patient for a few weeks and there'll either be a marriage or your Aunt Mary will admit that she doesn't know rabbits from woodchucks."

The shares of the First National were valued at \$110, with none for sale. All men will sell, however, at a price. That very day Aunt Mary began hunting up the small stockholders, buying stock and pledging them to secrecy. She paid fifteen, twenty and twenty-five bonus, but she got what she was after. In a month she had a controlling interest, and the stock was duly transferred on the books. There was considerable speculation as to what was up, but no one surmised the truth until the first annual meeting came around. Aunt Mary was present, and it was noticed that her jaw was set.

"We will now vote to elect a board of directors," softly announced the secretary when the meeting had been called to order.

Aunt Mary had a ticket of her own to vote, and she speedily voted the old board out. In answer to their looks of consternation she said:

"This afternoon the directors will elect officers. I shall be president and my nephew cashier."

"But, my dear Mrs. Hilliard," began Mr. Leslie.

"I am within my legal rights, sir," she interrupted. "I have never run a bank yet, but I think I can do so. That is, I shall do so unless—"

The pause was dramatic. "All had a suspicion of what was wrong, and Mr. Leslie knew that he was in a trap."

"Unless what?" he finally asked, with a rather pale face.

"Unless my nephew should get married soon. In that case he would not want to act as cashier. Did any one move to adjourn?"

No one had. In fact, no one wanted to adjourn until things had been settled.

"I think your nephew had better get married," observed Mr. Leslie as he stared into vacancy.

"Very soon," queried Aunt Mary.

"I think Kittle will be ready within a month."

"Well, if that's your opinion, I'm quite agreeable. Would it be against the law to hold a new election for directors?"

"You seem to be the law yourself."

"Then I'll call a new meeting and cast my votes for the old board, and as a director I vote to re-elect the old executive board. I have a little more stock than I want, and if any of you hear of anybody who wants a few hundred at \$110 please send them to me."

**The Doctor Had to Go.**  
A physician in south Baltimore, having decided that a flagpole on his house would add to its good appearance, employed a man to rig the staff to his roof. This man had for his assistant a six foot negro imbued with all the superstitions of his race.

The big staff had been hoisted to the roof and was nearly in place when the negro happened to glance down at the crowd that had collected in the street to view the work.

The physician, desiring to see how the work of setting up the pole was progressing, had gone to the opposite corner to see the work, when the negro saw him. The crowd saw the doctor stop working and say something to his employer. Then the negro left the roof, and the work was postponed. The negro had said:

"Look, boss; dere's dat doctor down dere lookin' fo' a job. I knows I's agwine to fall off dis roof, and dat man'll cut me up. 'Deed, I ain't agwine to strike another lick o' work while dat man's down dere."—Baltimore Sun.

**How Glass Bends Are Made.**  
A rope walk is connected with the glass factory, a narrow gallery about 150 feet long, so situated that the mid-dle of it is not far from the furnaces. Two workmen seize a huge wedge of molten glass between their blowpipes, and after it has been blown hollow they gradually stretch it out into a long, swinging rope, pullow in the center. When cool, it is skillfully clipped into fragments of uniform size. These fragments are then picked up by boys and stirred in a tub with sand and ashes to fill the holes and prevent the glass flattening when heat is again applied. This final heating is done in a skillet over a hot fire to round the edges and give the beads a globular form. When cool they are placed in a tray, and the sand and ashes drop out of the holes, and the beads are ready to be sorted according to size.—London Standard.

**The Club Woman's Husband.**  
Some women are accompanied by maids to club conventions and occasionally by children, but almost never by husbands. The American husband fills his wife's purse, gives her a check book for emergencies, bids her a proud "Au revoir" at partings and is content to read of her speeches and her gowns and perhaps to see her picture in the sensational newspapers while she is away. Usually the husband of a woman of prominence in these matters is a hardworking individual, himself having neither the courage, the parts nor the liking for public demonstrations. The quick lunch in a crowded restaurant is the only break in his life. Mr. Leslie was sure, but he didn't want Paul Hazard for a son-in-law. He said all sorts of good things

## Jim Dandies

By John Murray

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There were six men in Company B, Ninth infantry, who were nicknamed Jim Dandies. They were six pick and span fellows, who always looked fresh and clean and presentable, and they were always detailed for the best headquarters posts. This caused jealousy, and it was natural that by and by a story should get afloat that the six recruits were fellows without sand. It could be truthfully said that their courage had not been tested, as the Indians had been quiet for a long time, but no one argued thus. It was easier to go with the majority and say with some of the old veterans:

"You just mark my words. If we ever get into a brush with the reds it will take four men apiece to hold these duds on the firing line."

The Jim Dandies were attracted to each other and formed a coterie. They organized a glee club, sang love songs, read popular novels and bought toilet soap. They even wore linen collars, and it was said of at least three of them that they rubbed their faces with bay rum after a shave. The Jim Dandies were glib and witty, but they were not so glib and witty when they were in the line.

They had put in a year of this when the call came for the Ninth to take the field. The red men had grown tired of peace and wanted war again.

"Now keep your eyes on our Jim Dandies," said the veterans to each other as they went marching away. "If we back up ag'in the Sioux you'll see six sissy men fainting away to be chucked into the ambulance."

The Ninth went out for business and found it. On the third day after leaving the fort it found a big force of Indians in its front, and the fight was hot from the beginning. The reds had the advantage of numbers, and by and by they began to work around on the left flank of the command. The colonel saw it, but he could spare only a few men to checkmate the move. They must get into the broken ground and die fighting. It was a military necessity that a small force should be sent, but he hesitated to issue the order, and finally called for a sergeant to lead a

band of volunteers. The six Jim Dandies came to the front at once. Even on the march they had clean collars on. "What in time is this?" growled the sergeant as they stepped out. "It's going to take old veterans to hold that ground, and these are only duds."

"Give us a chance, colonel," appealed one of the Jim Dandies.

The seven men took open order and double quicked across the open ground, and the six Jim Dandies as they went. The colonel looked blank, and 500 men laughed, and the Indians all ceased their fire as they wondered what was up.

"Now, duds," said the sergeant as they reached cover, "this is no making love to a red headed girl on the veranda of a summer hotel. We've got to hold them Indians off this flank if we die trying. You've got a chance to show what you're made of, and darn my buttons if I don't plug the first man who looks to the rear!"

For answer the Jim Dandies sang a verse of a war ballad and then dropped down just as the Indian bullets began to sing about them. The sergeant cursed and muttered, and over on the line, half a mile away, the major said to the colonel as the singing reached their ears:

"Did you ever know the like of that? I'm afraid this minstrel show business will end in our being flanked."

But even as he spoke the muskets got to work and rattled away so rapidly that there seemed a score instead of half a dozen, and the colonel's face lost its look of anxiety. A force of thirty Indians were sent down against the half dozen, but they could not get nearer than a certain line. There was an open space to cross, and every redskin who tried it was tumbled on his face. When there was shooting to it, the Jim Dandies buckled down to it. When there came a lull, one of them would strike up a song, and the others would join in the chorus. The sergeant sought to hush them, saying that songs did not belong to Upton's tactics, but they sang the longer and sung him down.

The Ninth had got itself into a hole. It was not strong enough to drive the

enemy from its front, and were it to attempt a retrograde movement the Indians would be encouraged to swarm in full force. The officers saw the situation before the men did, but when the latter became aware of it there was a flutter along the line. It might have been more than a flutter, and the colonel's heart was in his mouth and his teeth set hard when from the Jim Dandies over on the flank came the rousing chorus of "John Brown."

It stopped the flutter. Some men laughed and some swore, but the song led their thoughts into another channel.

Again the Indians pressed down on the left flank. They had discovered that only half a dozen men opposed them and that to win the flank was to win the battle, but even with five to one, owing to the nature of the ground, they could make no way. The Jim Dandies were shooting to kill when they were not laughing or singing, and the sergeant watched them closely and muttered to himself:

"I've been down on these duds along with the crowd, but blast my eyes if I ever saw purtier fighting. I guess I've got to take back what I've said. Say, now, but what's the matter over in the center?"

The matter was that a company



## TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

This table gives the highest and lowest temperature in Jackson for each day, together with the rainfall, as recorded, by self-registering instruments kept at the Ledger office:

Date.	Temp. L. H.	Rainfall	Date.	Temp. L. H.	Rainfall
Feb. 1 (05)	51	09 0.30	Feb. 17 '05		
2	40	38 0.67	18		
3	40	62	19		
4	36	96	20		
5	42	62 1.16	21		
6	37	63	22		
7	38	63	23		
8	34	67	24		
9	32	66	25		
10			26		
11			27		
12			28		
13			29		
14			30		
15			31		

Total rainfall for season to date... 18.38 inches  
To corresponding period last season 18.33 "

## LOCAL NEWS

Lace sale at Redlick's.

Don't forget to be with the N. D. G. W. on the 14th.

PIONEER FLOUR always has been and still is the best.

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Hot tomatoes at the Union House. Parties will please leave orders before hand.

Olives, salami, swiss, limburger Martin's cream and California cheese at Nettles' Mkt.

On January 31st Sam Radovich, a workman at the Kennedy mine, received quite a severe scalp wound.

Sam C. Trayner, of San Francisco, made a flying trip to Volcano Monday on mining business. He left for the city the following morning.

J. L. Creason, the barber, has moved from his late quarters in the basement of the National hotel to the room partitioned off from the Gem saloon.

Fine assortment of valentines at Redlick's.

Frank Simich has purchased the Bridge saloon from his brother. He has employed an experienced bartender, and will continue the business indefinitely.

News was received this week by Mrs. Boxall of the death in Australia of Mrs. J. Thomas. Deceased was the mother of W. J. Thomas, formerly of Jackson.

Valentines are the cheapest at Redlick's.

Mrs. Guerard has been quite sick at her home at Broadway Heights. Her son, Gus, made a hasty trip from Sacramento to see her, returning Monday. He is slowly improving under the care of her physician, although still confined to her bed.

Any one can dance to the excellent music that will be heard at Love's hall on the 14th.

The N. D. G. W. will give a supper at the Odd Fellows banquet hall on the evening of their Bon Bon party, February 14th. Supper from 10 o'clock on; 25c per plate.

Donald Bierce, the three-year-old grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Patterson, swallowed a piece of glass last Saturday and caused a fright in the household until the arrival of Dr. Phillips, who assured them that glass was not a hard substance to digest. Proper remedies were given, and no further difficulty was experienced.

See our window for prices; 1/2 price for all ribbons. The widest, 35c, cut 18c; the baby ribbon, 1c, for 1c per yard, and so on. Jackson Shoe Store.

Fresh pickled olives of the season just received; 65c per gallon. Nettles' market.

Steve Lovrovich, while breaking rock at the Argonaut mine one day last week, struck a boulder containing unexploded powder, causing it to explode. Fortunately the charge was light and he escaped with an injured shoulder.

The accident was similar to the one that caused the death of young Garbino at the Keystone recently.

Did you ever buy ribbon at these prices? You can bet you did not. Watch, buy now at 1/2 price. Jackson Shoe Store.

The Sacramento News says that Leonelly, corporation counsel of that city, and formerly of Amador county, is struck it rich in a quartz mine in Dorado county. He has been prospecting the claim for four years, and last Saturday received a bag of ore showing a heavy percentage of free gold. It would take but a few tons of rock to make the owner wealthy.

He, like all mine owners, was expecting that his property would turn out ill, but he was not prepared for such surprise in the shape of the gold-colored rock that has been uncovered. Good mines of all kinds wanted. Inquiring parties, S. C. Trayner, 4 Sut. St., San Francisco, Cal.

The Echo is authority for the statement that Assemblyman McKenney's name has been mentioned for appointment as superintendent of Whittier reformatory school, and believes that his experience gained in connection with similar institutions in Michigan and Pennsylvania, and also at the Ione reformatory school is a sufficient guarantee of qualifications for the office. The report is nothing more than a rumor. Governor Pardee is the kind of man to use his own judgment in the matter of appointments to responsible positions, and the appointees are entrusted with large sums of money for the support of such institutions. He will not be governed by the recommendation of factional politicians. There is something peculiar in the fact that the chairman of the legislative committee on prisons and reformatories is thus mentioned in connection with one of the important institutions upon which the committee has to report. The Echo admits that the position has not been tendered him. Ione seems to be a focal point of political rumors.

Saturday  
Special Sale

ONE DAY ONLY

## RIBBONS

No. 50, widest in Silk or Satin Taffeta; regular price 35c and 30c; Saturday for - - 18c yd.

No. 40, Satin Taffeta or Liberty Silk; regular price 30c; special for Saturday - - 15c yd.

No. 30, same quality, all colors; regular 25c; for - - - - - 13c yd.

No. 22, same quality; any color; regular 25c; for - - - - - 13c yd.

No. 16, same quality; any color; regular 20c; for - - - - - 11c yd.

No. 12, same quality; any color; regular 15c; for - - - - - 10c yd.

No. 9, same quality; any color; regular 15c; for - - - - - 9c yd.

No. 7, same quality; any color; regular 12c; for - - - - - 6c yd.

No. 5, same quality; any color; regular 10c; for - - - - - 5c yd.

No. 2, same quality; any color; regular 5c; for - - - - - 3c yd.

No. 1 1/2, same quality; any color; regular 2c; for - - - - - 1c yd.

Baby Ribbon, any color; regular 1c; for - - 1/2c yd.

## One Day Only

These prices are good for one day only, Saturday, Feb. 11th. If you don't come you don't get the ribbon. We do not sell more than 5 yards of one piece to any one party.

## ....Concert....

Do not fail to attend our concerts, held every Saturday evening. First-class music.

## JACKSON SHOE STORE

Regulators of low prices.

## The Sunshine of Spring.

The Salve that cures without a scar is De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Cuts, Burns, Boils, Bruises and Piles disappear before the use of this salve as now before the sunshine of spring. Miss H. M. Middleton, Thebes, Ill., says: "I was seriously afflicted with a fever sore that was very painful. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me in less than a week." Get the genuine. Sold by all druggists.

W. F. Detert, superintendent of the Zella, who has been in San Francisco for several days, returned home Thursday evening.

See our ad this week for special sale of ribbons. 1/2 price for any piece of ribbon. 25c ribbon for 13c for Saturday. Jackson Shoe Store.

H. W. Ford and wife, and J. W. Petty will move to their new home in Lodi within the next few days. Mr. Ford was for many years a prominent teacher in Amador county, and many of the business men of the county were once his pupils. We wish those people unbounded success in whatever business they may engage.

## KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

John King, A Boy of 16, Instantly Killed Near the Coal Mine in Ione Valley.

We have this week to chronicle the only fatality from lightning stroke in Amador county in our experience of nearly 30 years: Unlike the eastern and middle western states, California is remarkably free from thunderstorms. These visitations are not unknown, but they are rare. Saturday evening the celestial illumination was of unusual brilliancy, and the valley section of the county seems to have been the focal point of its activity. At the Ione coal mine, on the line of the branch railroad, about three miles from Ione, the storm displayed its force with fatal effect. Here the boarding house is kept by M. King. About 7 o'clock in the evening, when the storm was in its fury, the eldest son, John, proposed to go to the pig pen to place some hay therein.

He called to his younger brother, Raymond, to accompany him with a lantern. The pig pen was distant some 70 yards from the dwelling house. The two set forth, little dreaming that death for one of them was lurking in the path. John took a pitchfork of hay. It was raining, and little Raymond tried to seek cover from the rain under the hay that was projecting over the shoulder of his brother. On the way they had to pass near a high steel windmill tower. Whether this was the means of attracting the deadly current can never be told. Suddenly a blinding flash lit up the darkness. Raymond was struck to the ground. He was momentarily paralyzed, the sensation being that he had lost his lower limbs. He called for help, and managed to crawl back to the house.

Meeting his parents he told them his leg was gone. "Oh no," said his mother, "your leg is all right." Examining the limb, that to the little victim seemed numb and useless, the parents were astounded to find that the lower part of the pants were torn to shreds, and the sole of the shoe was missing. In alarm he was asked, "Where is Johnny?" He replied that he did not know; "He must be out there somewhere." He could tell nothing about the awful tragedy that had occurred only a few feet from him, and that had partly involved him in its embrace. The parents, now fearing that something dreadful had occurred, called for Johnny; but no answer came.

A search was made, and the lifeless form of Johnny was found lying face downward, on the spot where the blast had struck him. He was no doubt killed instantly. An examination revealed that the bolt struck him in the breast and traveled down his left leg, leaving a mark or burn similar to an old scar to mark its course. His pants were torn into pieces, and the sole of his shoe cut as with a sharp knife. Some were inclined to think that the steel tines of the pitchfork were the means of attracting the lightning. The pitchfork showed no signs of this. It was not buried in the least, neither the point nor the handle, which the boy held in his hands.

The victim was 15 years and 4 months old. The terrible event cast a gloom over the entire neighborhood. The funeral was held in Ione last Monday, and was largely attended.

## Claim for Gravel.

Fayette Mace was before the supervisors last Monday with several witnesses, for the purpose of establishing the righteousness of his claim for \$250 for gravel taken from his land for making repairs to the roads in township two. The county has a judgment against Mace for costs in a civil action brought by him against the county to recover damages for a road taken by the county through Mace's land in township three, he refusing to accept the amount awarded by the road viewers. He failed to recover more than the amount of the award, and so the costs were assessed to him. He wished that the value of the gravel taken should be credited on this judgment. There was no dispute that gravel had been taken from his land for public use, but it was disputed that there was any arrangement that a charge should be made for the gravel. After hearing the statement of Mr. Mace the matter was brought to a sudden conclusion upon it appearing that more than one year had elapsed from the accruing of the last item in the bill. It was more than one year since any gravel had been taken. This was not denied. The law forbids the supervisors from considering any claim under such circumstances. Without further ado, therefore, the claim was rejected. The board could not do otherwise.

## Depot Site for Sutter Creek.

A meeting of the citizens of Sutter Creek was held last week to settle upon a suitable site for the railroad depot in that town. It is a matter of common talk that the surveyors have encountered considerable difficulty in finding a practical route to get to within easy distance of the business part of town. The townspeople naturally want the railroad within easy distance for business reasons. The town nestles in a little valley, several hundred feet below the hills with which it is bordered north and south, and this depression presents financial and engineering difficulties of some moment. However, the company is disposed to accommodate the citizens, and locate the depot at any convenient point selected and donated for that purpose. The meeting selected the Campbell lot on Main street, opposite the power house of the electric light company. Money was subscribed to purchase the lot. A petition was presented to the supervisors asking the right of way over the streets of the town for the railroad. The board could not act upon it, as it was not in due form. It is claimed that the petition must ask for a franchise, and pass through the usual form of publication in the shape of an ordinance, calling for bids thereon. The petition was therefore laid over, so that it can be amended and presented in proper shape at next meeting.

## Ledge &amp; Chicago Inter-Ocean, \$2.50.

## LEVI STRAUSS &amp; CO.

LEVI STRAUSS & CO'S  
OVERALLS

## Additional Locals.

Read this week's ad of Redlick's.

Give us daily some good bread. Pioneer Flour makes the best.

Remember the Bon Bon party at Love's hall on the 14th, N. D. G. W.

Usual services at Episcopal church Sunday morning. Guild meets at Mrs. Voorheis' place Wednesday.

Hale Mace came in from his mountain ranch Monday, and reported seven inches of snow on his summer range.

Wilford Dennis has been in San Francisco the past week, on railroad business. He is expected home this evening.

Every Native Son within 25 miles of Jackson should be at Love's hall on the evening of the 14th. The N. D. G. W. will all be there.

The Odd Fellows have purchased 80 feet of benches formerly used in Webb hall, for the seating of their banquet room in their hall building.

A marriage license has been issued in Sacramento authorizing the marriage of William T. Crocker of Amador City and Mary J. Currow of San Jose, formerly of Jackson.

Reserved seats for the 1830 concert, February 22nd, will be on sale at Boydston's pharmacy on Monday morning, the 13th inst., at nine o'clock. Six bits pays for a good seat.

The N. D. G. W. will expect to see you in the grand march on the evening of the 14th.

On going to his place of business on Main street Sunday morning, Geo. Bokoyich found a good hat, 50 cents worth of beefsteak, and an empty tobacco sack just outside against the door. The hat is a good one, and has a small blood stain on the rim.

Rathbone Lodge K. of P., will celebrate the anniversary of the order on Friday evening, Feb. 17th. All visiting members are cordially invited to attend. A good time is assured. "Come." First and second Rank this Friday eve, Feb. 10th.

The New Idea Club has established a reputation for its unique entertainments. It always gives one's money's worth in enjoyment and fun. The concert to be given on the 22nd will be no exception to the rule. Let everyone turn out for a good time.

It is common talk on the street that W. M. Penry has sold the lower portion of the Dispatch building to P. L. Cassinelli, the fruit and grocery man on Broadway, who will move his business into the new quarters at an early date. It is only the lower story that is involved in the sale.

"The strenuous life" will be Rev. C. E. Winning's theme at the Methodist church next Sunday evening, it being the third of a series of addresses to men—but not to men only. Preaching services at 11 a. m., and Sabbath school at 2 p. m. A cordial welcome to all strangers and non-church goers.

The Ione Echo states that H. W. Wood, editor and proprietor of the Amador Record, is prominently mentioned as a candidate for clerk of one of the newly established district courts of appeal. It also adds that John F. Davis, present code commissioner, is behind the Sutter Creek editor's application, and that this endorsement is a strong point in his favor.

Nightwachman F. W. Parker, on making his rounds early Thursday morning, slipped on frosty ground and fell, breaking his arm at the wrist, and injuring his hip so that he was unable to walk. He was carried home, where he has since been confined to his bed. The fall has shaken him up considerably, and it may be some time before he is able to resume his official duties.

R. S. Triggs, the veteran mountaineer of Wiley's, was in Jackson a few days ago. He reports that in his experience of over 20 years in the mountains of Amador he never knew the snowfall so light as this season. There was not more than three feet at Bear valley, when usually at this time of the year there is five or six feet. There had not been sufficient to drive the deer from their haunts higher up down to the lower altitudes in quest of browse. The outlook is rather dubious for the water supply, unless we have unusually favorable weather for snow storage for the balance of the winter, which is not at all probable.

Saturday evening the members of the reading club gave a social dance in the banquet room of the Odd Fellows hall. In the midst of the festivities they were greeted with a lively scare. It was a tempestuous evening, and in the storm a wire got loose and came in contact with the live electric wire crossing the street, and the end of this wire dangled against the telephone pole in front of the hall. There was a brilliant display of fireworks, and confusion and dismay in the dance room when the pyrotechnic exhibition became known. The pole was set on fire, and how to put it out was the question. Some called for a bucket of water, but the stray lightning was too high in the air for this method, and fortunately so, inasmuch as if this plan had been adopted someone would probably have been seriously hurt. Finally the electrician in charge of the light wires, O. E. Reichling, was sent for, and he quickly secured the stray wire. The electric lights were out for a brief period while the commotion lasted.

## MINING NEWS OF THE WEEK

KENNEDY.—We learn that the bullion yield of this mine last month was very satisfactory, approximating the big output of the property in bonanza days. In explanation it must be remembered that there are 2 1/2 times the number of stamps dropping now than formerly.

CENTRAL EUREKA.—This great dividend payer has declared its usual monthly dividend of 7 cents per share for February, making a total of \$28,000 as its monthly distribution to the stockholders. The recent decision of the supreme court in favor of the company in the appealed case of Central Eureka vs. East Eureka Mining Company has also tended to stiffen the price of the stock, which is now quoted at \$2.00, nearly twice the price of a year ago. The mine, according to all accounts, is looking well, with the prospect of keeping up its dividends indefinitely.

GWIN.—It is reported that a decided improvement has taken place in the outlook of this mine lately. At the 2100 foot level a good paying ore body has been struck, seven feet in width—the best looking ore that has been seen for years. This is cheering news to the stockholders, as the mine has not been on a dividend paying basis for the past two years.

DOYLE.—A gentleman named Green has been inspecting this property during the past week, with a view of bonding it. Terms were agreed upon, and Mr. Green expects to interest capitalists to take hold of the claim and push development work. The mine is situated in Hunt's gulch, between the Amador Queen and Kruger claims. It is equipped with hoisting works and all necessary machinery and tools for exploration work. A shaft has been sunk to some depth, and tunnels driven in various directions. Altogether it presents an excellent opportunity to invest in a promising section of the mother lode belt. Ore is met with in several places, and said to be of fair quality.

ARGONAUT.—The number of men employed at this mine is slightly in excess of 100. When operated before it took from 120 to 125 to run mine and mill. It is pleasing to be able to state that the mill run for the first month proved very satisfactory. Under the judicious management of J. B. Francis the rock mill is mixed, low grade with high grade, so as to secure a fair average output each month. This is in accordance with the most approved methods of mining on the mother lode. It contributes to the longevity of the mine, and is more satisfactory to stockholders, who want explanations when one month's yield falls materially short of the output of the preceding month. The yield last month left a big surplus in the treasury after paying running expenses, and the dividend era is expected to be inaugurated soon.

## Has Stood the Test 25 Years.

The old, original GROVE'S Tasteless Chill Tonic. You know what you are taking. It is iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure no pay. 50c.

## The Staples Case.

No word has been received from sheriff Norman since he left San Francisco bound for Ensenada, in Lower California, with requisition papers from Governor Pardee upon the authorities of the Mexican state for the surrender of Dr. F. N. Staples and Mrs. Maud Emeline Hoxie, who are wanted in this county to answer a charge of murder in taking the life of Mrs. Staples in Amador City by arsenical poisoning on the 31st of August last. The only fact learned is that contained in a press dispatch from San Diego, stating that Sheriff Norman arrived in that city Friday, and would leave by boat for Ensenada, and was expected to return with the prisoners to San Diego Tuesday. It was understood before the sheriff started on his long journey that the matter would be kept as secret as possible. There would be no heralding of his arrival or departure, and even the office here would receive no tidings until he reached Sacramento on his return trip. The fact that no information has leaked out is not surprising, as such was in strict accordance with the program when he left.

We may say that Ensenada is 100 miles from San Diego by road. There is no railroad communication between the two cities. The travel is almost exclusively by water, and the sheriff was expected to take the water route going and returning. To return by the same boat he would have to transact his business in something like 12 hours. In this time all the official papers relating to the extradition of the accused persons would have to be translated into the Mexican language. This could easily be done, providing the officials were ready to take up the matter immediately upon his arrival. In that event he might make San Diego on the return trip on Tuesday morning, and reach Jackson this evening. Failing to make connection with the first boat he would have to tarry in the Lower California town for two days, waiting for the next steamer, or else make the overland trip of 100 miles, which, through a desert country, would take four or five days.

Last night the sheriff's office received by mail a communication from Ensenada, written in the Spanish language, the import of which is interpreted substantially as follows:

Ensenada, Feb. 4, 1905.  
T. K. Norman, Sheriff, Jackson, Cal. In answer to your note of November last, offering a reward of \$100 in gold for the apprehension and placing in jail of Dr. F. N. Staples and Mrs. Maud Emeline Hoxie, I beg to state that I personally apprehended Dr. Staples and Mrs. Hoxie on the 28th of January at Rancho Viejo (managed ranch). I accompanied them to Ensenada, where I placed them in jail under the jurisdiction of the consul of the United States. All of which I prove to you by the receipt of the alcalde herewith inclosed. As I have verified said apprehension, and there have been certain expenses incurred, I hope you will send me the \$100 offered as soon as it is convenient to you.

I take this opportunity of expressing my compliments.

JOSE JIMINEZ,  
Second commandment of the Gendemerie of the district.

With this letter is also inclosed a receipt from the alcalde or mayor Enrique General acknowledging the receipt of the persons of Dr. Staples and Mrs. Hoxie, and their detention in the jail of Ensenada.

This communication was sent before Sheriff Norman reached there, as on the fourth of February he was in San Diego, on his way to Ensenada. As it took nearly a week for the letter to travel from Ensenada to Jackson, it is hardly likely that Sheriff Norman can be back with his prisoners for several days yet.

Miss Postle, a trained nurse recently from Canada, arrived in Jackson two weeks ago, and may be found at the Anthony residence on the main street. She intends to locate in Jackson, should the demand for such professional services warrant her in doing so.

## REDLICK'S STANDARD GOODS.

## MAIN STREET, JACKSON.

Butterick Patterns  
for March  
....Are Now in....



New Mattings for  
...Spring...  
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## Annual Clean Sweep Sale

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There's no busier spot in Jackson than this Store during this Sale. The prices we name have astonished even those accustomed to the doings of this store.

We are determined to sweep every vestige of winter goods out of this store before the end of this month; and we will do it.

BY SELLING	BY SELLING
25c Oil Cloth for 15c.	\$2.00 Men's Hats for 75c
BY SELLING	BY SELLING
\$1.25 Ladies' Wrappers for 50c	\$1.50 Working Shoes for 75c
BY SELLING	BY SELLING
12 1/2 Figured Flannelette for 5c	75c Shirt Waists for 15c
BY SELLING	BY SELLING
\$2.50 Boys' Suits for 75c	\$1.00 Felt Slippers for 39c
BY SELLING	BY SELLING
25c Children's Ribbed Pants, 5c	\$1.00 Underskirts for 25c
BY SELLING	BY SELLING
20c Ribbon for 7c	\$3.00 Douglas Shoes for \$1.50

Deserved Popularity.	AMADOR CITY.	Give Your Stomach a Rest.
To cure Constipation and Liver troubles by gently moving the bowels and acting as a tonic to the liver, take Little's Early Risers. These Famous Little Pills are mild, pleasant and harmless, but effective and sure. Their universal use for many years is a strong guarantee of their popularity and usefulness. Sold by all druggists.	AMADOR CITY, February 7. Mrs. Kate Allen, of Oakland, visited friends and relatives here last week. Mrs. Worley and Mrs. Beitter, of Drytown, were in Amador Tuesday. Mr. Smith, who has been visiting relatives at the Kennedy, returned last week. Mr. Heuge returned from San Francisco last week. Miss Vannie McLaughlin was the guest of Miss Gatton several days last week. E. LOIS. Assaying 75 cents. Bullion, amalgam, rich ore, etc., bought in large or small quantities. Prompt returns. Mail or express, 1000 lb. Chlorination, mill and cyanide tests. Pioneer Assaying Co., 157 New Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.	Your food must be properly digested and assimilated to be of any value to you. If your stomach is weak or diseased take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and gives the stomach a rest, enabling it to recuperate, take on new life and grow strong again. Kodol cures sour stomach, gas, bloating, heart palpitation and all digestive disorders. L. A. Soper, of Little Rock, Ky., writes us: "We feel that Kodol Dyspepsia Cure deserves all the commendation that can be given it, as it saved the life of our little girl when she was three years old. She is now six and we have kept it for her constantly, but of course she only takes it when anything disagrees with her. Sold by all druggists."

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## Clothing, Clothing, Clothing

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## On the Journey

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"I am very sorry it cannot be arranged," said the young man, with a deprecatory wave of his hand, "but—"

"All the latest popular novels! Last chance to get your reading matter! No books sold on train after it starts!" The newsboy bawled this in Amy Curtis' ear, and she lost all the young man said except the words "can't climb those beastly steps."

Not that she cared. She was quite able to climb the little ladder to the upper berth. Her lip curled scornfully.

"Oh, it doesn't matter in the least, you know. It was the conductor's idea, I assure you. Only in the south, where I come from, men, as a rule, are more obliging."

She picked up her novel and proceeded to ignore McKean's presence. He looked at her blankly, then flung himself down the sleeper to the smoking compartment. "Well, I do think she's a bit harsh!" He pulled out a paper and tried to forget the scorn in the eyes but recently lifted to meet his.

In the meantime the girl in section 7 stared wrathfully at the letters in her book, which fairly danced before her eyes. "A nice beginning for my trip! I never wanted to go to Colorado Springs anyhow. I had much better remained at Bar Harbor than to let the Carters inveigle me into coming west."

With this final reflection she commenced to read in earnest, but somehow her mind went back to the very disagreeable young man who had disregarded the sleeping car conductor's request that he yield the lower berth to the young woman, whose Pullman ticket had been duplicated by a careless employee in an uptown office. She could not forget the real regret in his eyes nor the nervous, embarrassed way in which he had smoothed his hair while he was offering his halting explanation. She could not reconcile this, however, with the fact that he had declined to climb the little steps in her stead. It was most annoying, she argued, that she could not forget a certain fascination which his long, firm hand had held for her and the hair he had smoothed.

She could imagine that he had spent hours trying to brush out a certain tendency to curl. She was very glad there was something that could defeat him, if it was nothing more than curls, and after deciding thus she was more content.

She did not see him again until she entered the diner at dusk. The only place left for her was a single seat at a table meant for four. The three passengers already seated were men, talking business in rather loud tones. Amy hesitated. A figure at the table opposite rose suddenly. The very disagreeable young man who had sentenced her to the upper berth was standing beside her.

"Take my place," he said eagerly, "and I will go over there with the men." He had been occupying a seat at one of the small tables, and a gray haired woman was sitting opposite him.

Amy saw all this at a glance, and with a surprised uplifting of her eyebrows and a mechanical "Thank you" accepted the seat. The young man had not yet been served, and she realized that the change had not embarrassed him in the least.

"Quite willing to do things that do not incommode him," she thought scornfully.

The young man did not presume upon the reception of this courtesy. Directly after dinner he once more retired to the smoking compartment, and Amy early ordered the porter to make up her berth. Once tucked snugly away, she forgot her grievance. The steady clunk-clunk of the wheels was a singular lullaby to which she soon yielded.

It seemed as if she had not been asleep more than three minutes when she awoke to the most horrible noises that she had ever heard. What had happened? Had the train run into a crenel or a jungle of wild beasts? No, the train was still moving. Its unremitting clunk-clunk could be heard at intervals between the awful sounds which now assailed her ears. If it was not wild beasts, then maybe some one around her was dying.

This pretty, carefully reared, ever protected southern girl had never seen any one die, and in her ignorance of this and various other matters she was working herself up into a fine frenzy. A particularly deep and agonized roar was followed by a sound that was a cross between a penny whistle and a sob. She could stand the suspense no longer. She pushed the tins button and, carefully arranging the curtains, stuck out her head to meet the look of inquiry in the porter's black face. Up and down the car she gave a hasty glance. Apparently no one else realized the tragedy that was going on so close at hand, for no other curtains were swaying, no other heads were thrust out.

"Sunfin you want, miss?" "Why—why, don't you hear that dreadful noise?" she said. "I think some one in the berth next to me is dying."

In the dim light she could see the dinky's teeth gleam ivory white in a grin that reached from ear to ear.

"It's just the gentleman in the lower berth, miss, snoring. I will wake him up. Soon as he rolls over he'll stop."

Amy looked in her head as if the porter had struck her. She could feel him switch aside the curtains below her. Two masculine voices were wafted toward her, then the sound of a deep grunt that was decidedly masculine—and silence.

Up in her eyrie Amy lay, still flushing hotly with mortification. She knew that porter would tell everybody on the train next morning. She wished she could change cars. Then suddenly from the berth below the hated sound rose again. Evidently there was no respite from this affliction, and, oddly enough, she felt herself pitying the man who was responsible for it. It was really a disease, she decided, and he was so young too!

The next morning she met him face to face in the dining car. Her cheeks were flooded with crimson. She knew by the quizzical light in his eyes that he had heard of her mistake, and undoubtedly every one on the car knew it by this time and would consider it a fine joke.

She ate her breakfast in a resentful humor. She felt reckless and miserable, and it may have been this mood which caused her to sway uncertainly as she crossed from the diner back to the sleeper. She reached out a hand to steady herself against the side of the vestibule. Suddenly it seemed to her as if a sharp, red-hot iron had been thrust into her finger tip and run up to her shoulder. She tried to draw away her hand as a child does from a hot stove, but something held it tight, and she awoke to the truth. The train had been swinging around a curve, and the iron plate, or folds, of the vestibule, left uncovered by a careless employee, had opened just far enough to admit her finger and then had closed upon it again. She was held as in a vise, and her calls for assistance could not be heard above the roar of the train. And so it happened that the "hateful young man" came upon her, white-lipped and fainting. When they had pried the hand loose he carried her unconscious figure into the vacant drawing room. The conductor came hurrying up, greatly perturbed over the accident, which meant a damage suit for the company. He turned to the porter.

"Hustle through the train and find out whether there is a physician on board."

The young man spoke sharply. "I am a physician. Porter, bring me that long, narrow black bag from my berth."

And so it happened when Amy woke up it was to find the hateful young man deftly bandaging her injured hand. The drawing room was placed at her disposal by the anxious conductor, and the entire train force was on its knees before her. The uncovered vestibule meant that some employee's head would fall into the basket.

Toward noon, in spite of the terrific pain in her crushed finger, Amy commenced to feel drowsy, thanks to the mild narcotic which Dr. McKean had administered. He plumped up the pillows for her, and she murmured drowsily, "I didn't sleep very well last night."

McKean bit his lip. "I was afraid you wouldn't. That was the worst part of my having to put Mr. Carter in the berth with you, but I couldn't get him another lower in the car, and he stubbornly refused to buy up a drawing room."

Amy felt suddenly wide awake. "Mr. Carter, why didn't you?" "Lord, no. You didn't think I was raising the roof of my berth, did you? Mr. Carter has been at a sanitarium just east of Harrisburg. He is a patient of my father's, and his people asked me to pick him up and bring him to Colorado Springs, where I am visiting for a week or so. That's what I was trying to tell you last night."

A sudden light dawned on Amy. "Oh, it's all the fault of that newsboy! I am going to the Carters myself. They're giving a house party."

"Yes, I know," said McKean. "I saw your name on your luggage. But now you're going to sleep, and if you don't mind I shall sit here beside you and see you are not rocked off when we make a fast run."

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